Ministries and States for implementation. The National Water Board constituted in September, 1990, inter-alia, to review the progress of implementation of the National Water Policy, has deliberated upon several important issuis relating to the water resources sector and have suggested formulation of policies on the following issues:

(i) Water Information Bill;

(ii) Setting up of River Basin Organisations; and

(iii) National Policy for rehabilitation and resettlement of persons affected by reservoirs.

Draft Policies have bee formulated and comments of the State Governments on these draft policies have been called for. On receipt of comments from all the States, the draft policies are to be finalised and placed before the National Water Resources Council. Implementation of these policies will be done only after these are adopted by the National Water Resources Council.

देश में नहर-परियोजनाओं के संबंध में विश्व बैंक की टिप्पणियां

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श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज :

क्या **जल संसाधन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विश्व बैंक ने देश की सिंचाई परियोजनाओं के संबंध में सरकार का ध्यान आकृष्ट करते हुए कहा है कि देश में अनेक निर्माणाधीन तथा निर्मित नहर-परियोजनायें निरर्थक हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) इन परियोजनाओं पर मार्च, 1993 तक कुल कितनी राशि व्यय की जा चुकी है तथा इसमें विदेशी ऋण कितना है, जिस पर देश को ब्याज देना पड़ रहा है; और

(घ) विश्व बैंक द्वारा की गई टिप्पणियों पर सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० के० थुंगन) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

Survey on Surface and Ground Water in Bihar

2262. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has done any survey regarding the total available surface and ground water in Bihar which can be utilised for irrigation purposes;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, by when Government propose to undertake a survey in this regard to provide irrigation facilities to farmers in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) Irrigation being a State Subject, surveys for water resources development are carried out by the State Governments. However, for inter-state rivers, hydrological observations are conducted by the Central Water Commission which includes rivers in Bihar also. The Central Ground Water Board has carried ont survey of ground water availability in Bihar. Based on the survey and exploration, the annu

replenishable groundwater resources of the State of Bihar has been assessed as 2.84 million hectare metres.

Flood caused by River Beas

2263. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether heavy floods in the River Beas was caused partially by enroachment in the natural flow of rain water; and

(b) what measures Government have taken to check encroachment of water courses of river Beas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Central Clearance to proposals from Andhra Pradesh

2264. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the proposals that are pending for clearance from Andhra Pradesh;

(b) at what stage of consideration they are and whether any of them are inter-state water dispute;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) the manner in which Government propose to resolve them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER SOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) Out of 6 major and 3 medium projects of Andhra Pradesh at the Centre three major projects namely Jurala, Vamsadhara Stage-II and Yeleru and three medium projects namely Buggavanka, Chelmalavagu and Palemagu have been techno-economically appraised and found acceptable by the Advisory Committee subject to compliance of certain observations such as obtaining clearances from the Ministry of Environment and Forests and the Ministry of Welfare provision of adequate funds in VIII Plan etc. by the State Government. The State Government is required to sort out various techno?economic issues in respect of Pulichintala Multipurpose Project. On Kurnool-Cuddapah modernisation project the State is required to sort out water availability issues in accordance with Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal (KWDT) Award and also to sort out other techno-economic issues. The consideration of remaining major project namely Telugu Ganga, though techno'economically examined by the Central Water Commission, has been deferred by the Advisory Committee due to non-resolution of inter-State issue.

The inter-State issue involved in the Telugu Ganga Project latest estimated cost Rs. 1307.46 crores) is that the irrigation component is based on 39 thousand million cubic feet TMC) of remaining flow of Krishna [illegible] and above the allocation of Water to Andhra Pradesh by KWDT which has been objected to by the Governments of Karnataka and Maharashtra. The three Krishna basin States have taken upon themselves the resolution of this issue. The Chief Ministers of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Mahaashtra have met thrice for resolution of this inter-State issue, and have agreed to meet again at Srisailam in Andhra Pradesh. As an alternative it has been suggested to the State Governmen of Andhra Pradesh in December, 1992 to formulate a well substantiated project document to save 29 TMC of Wateter from existing proects for utilisation for irrigation through Telugu Ganga Project. The State Governmnet submitted a note on the subject in 9|93. This has been examined in hee Central